

Table 1: Relative Reform Progress: MENA-Non-MENA Countries

	Voice	Political Stability	Government Effectiveness	Regulatory Quality	Rule Law	Control of Corruption
Average Values 1996-1998						
<u>Non-MENA Countries (139 Countries)</u>						
Mean	.05473	.06554	.03934	.09252	.03537	.02533
<u>MENA Countries (20 Countries)</u>						
Mean	-.90664	-.45060	-.25891	-.37547	.01717	-.18865
Average Values 2000-2002						
<u>Non-MENA Countries (142 Countries)</u>						
Mean	.05201	.01440	.03607	.08090	.00758	.00881
<u>MENA Countries (20 Countries)</u>						
Mean	-.90564	-.28166	-.13268	-.29303	-.00963	-.11232
	Trade Policy	Fiscal Burden	Government Intervention	Monetary Policy	Foreign Investment	
Average Values 1995-1999						
<u>Non-MENA Countries (140 Countries)</u>						
Mean	3.58345	3.39777	2.70091	3.36667	2.73333	
<u>MENA Countries (20 Countries)</u>						
Mean	3.92500	3.62875	3.53917	3.04000	3.30000	
Average Values 2000-2002						
<u>Non-MENA Countries (139 Countries)</u>						
Mean	3.35803	3.46162	2.64832	2.49448	2.76259	
<u>MENA Countries (20 Countries)</u>						
Mean	3.86000	3.46200	3.47000	2.14000	3.29000	
	Banking & Finance	Wages & Prices	Property Rights	Regulation	Informal Market	
Average Values 1995-1999						
<u>Non-MENA Countries (140 Countries)</u>						
Mean	3.00870	2.83647	2.79493	3.37403	3.45797	
<u>MENA Countries (20 Countries)</u>						
Mean	3.33000	3.24000	2.89250	3.06750	3.35000	
Average Values 2000-2002						
<u>Non-MENA Countries (139 Countries)</u>						
Mean	2.90791	2.70324	2.97770	3.44976	3.44065	
<u>MENA Countries (20 Countries)</u>						
1 Mean	3.47000	3.10000	3.30000	3.52667	3.43500	

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